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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of September 27, 2006, please amend the abovereferenced application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are set forth in the listing of the claims that begins on page 2 of this paper;

Remarks start at page 5 of this paper.